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National Leadership Grants for Libraries

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20 August 2014

National Leadership Grants Program

New applicants webinar



Asking Questions

Two ways to ask questions:

1) Chat messages box

- during the presentation
- during the Q&A

2) Over the phone

- during the Q&A

What is IMLS?

- **Who are we?**

IMLS is the primary source of federal support for the nation's 123,000 libraries and 35,000 museums.

- **What do we do?**


We make grants, convene groups, conduct research, and publish in order to build the capacity of museums and libraries to serve the public.

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View Available Grants

Grant Name:
(Select multiple options by pressing the control key as you click.)

All
Conservation Assessment Program
Grants to State Library Administrative Agencies
Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program
Museum Assessment Program
Museum Grants for African American History and Culture

Project Type:
(Select multiple options by pressing the control key as you click.)

All
Awards
Collections Management
Community Engagement
Conservation
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All
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Notices of Funding Opportunities

Application forms and Notices of Funding Opportunities (Grant Program Guidelines) for the current fiscal year are made available approximately 90 days before the grant deadline. Until that time, applications and guidelines from the previous year are available for your reference, but you must use the current fiscal year application when you apply.

Please note that on **December 5, 2012**, IMLS posted revised versions of the IMLS Budget Form and Program Information Sheet. These revised forms address issues applicants were having. If you have downloaded and/or saved these forms prior to December 5, you will need to download the revised versions. **The minimum software requirement for these forms is Adobe Reader 7.0.5, and JavaScript must be enabled to utilize the Budget Form.**

FY 2015

National Leadership Grants for Libraries -- Deadline: October 13, 2014
[Access FY 2015 Notice of Funding Opportunity \(Grant Program Guidelines\) Online](#)

Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program -- Deadline: September 15, 2014
[Access FY 2015 Notice of Funding Opportunity \(Grant Program Guidelines\) Online](#)

FY 2014

Native Hawaiian Library Services -- Deadline: April 1, 2014
[Access FY 2014 Grant program Guidelines Online](#)

Native American Library Services: Basic Grants -- Deadline: March 3, 2014
[Access FY 2014 Grant program Guidelines Online](#)

Native American Library Services: Enhancement Grants -- Deadline: March 3, 2014
[Access FY 2014 Grant program Guidelines Online](#)

Sparks! Ignition Grants for Libraries -- Deadline: February 3, 2014
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National Leadership Grants for Libraries -- Deadline: February 3, 2014
[Access FY 2014 Grant Program Guidelines Online](#)

Museum Grants for African American History and Culture -- Deadline: December 2, 2013
[Access FY 2014 Grant Program Guidelines Online](#)

Museums for America-- Deadline: December 2, 2013
[Access FY 2014 Grant Program Guidelines Online](#)

National Leadership Grants for Museums-- Deadline: December 2, 2013
[Access FY 2014 Grant Program Guidelines Online](#)

Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services Program-- Deadline: December 2, 2013
[Access FY 2014 Grant Program Guidelines Online](#)

What's new: appearance and process

- OMB Grant Reform
- Simplification, consistency and transparency
- Guidelines = notification of funding opportunity
- IMLS OLS convenings
- Identification of three program goals/project categories
- Letter of intent, then full proposal

Where to find basic information

NLG web page:

www.imls.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=14

- Program Overview
- NLG Staff Contact Information
- Link to NLG Notification of Funding Opportunity
- Link to notes from convenings



Eligibility

Libraries and Archives

- Either a unit of state or local government, or a 501c3 nonprofit organization
- Located in one of the 50 states or territories
- One of these six types of organizations:
 - a library or a parent organization, such as a school district, a municipality, a state agency, or an academic institution, that is responsible for the administration of a library
 - an academic or administrative unit, such as a graduate school of library and information science;
 - a digital library, if it makes library materials publicly available and provides library services
 - a library agency that is an official agency of a state or other unit of government
 - a library consortium that is a local, statewide, regional, interstate, or international cooperative association
 - a library association



Eligibility

You are *not* eligible to apply if you are:

- A federally funded institution
- A for-profit organization
- An individual
- A foreign country or organization

IMPORTANT: If you are a non-eligible institution, we encourage you to apply through a partnership with an eligible institution.

Funding categories

- Project Grants: to be negotiated
- Research Grants: to be negotiated
- Planning Grants: up to \$50,000
- National Forum Grants: up to \$100,000

Project categories

- National digital platform
- Learning spaces in libraries
- STEM learning in libraries
- www.imls.gov/news/imls_focus.aspx

National digital platform

IMLS is interested in proposals that will support a national digital platform, providing expanded and improved digital content and services to all users in the United States. Libraries have made important advancements in this area over the past 20 years, but much of that work was experimental or isolated. IMLS now wants to bridge gaps between disparate pieces of the existing digital library infrastructure, for increased efficiencies, cost-savings, access and services.

Learning spaces

IMLS is interested in work that builds institutional capacity, engages community and encourages partnerships to support all types of learning and inquiry, including participatory and hands-on learning, in libraries. Since the IMLS cannot fund the development and installation of learning spaces, proposals should focus on how to support and enhance libraries' ability to make their own decisions and investments.

STEM

IMLS is interested in work that builds capacity, engages community and encourages partnerships to support STEM learning in libraries. While this goal is related to that of learning spaces in libraries, the difference lies in the emphasis on a specific type of content and program.

Process

- Preliminary proposal due 15 October
- Two pages
- No attachments
- SF424
- Program information sheet
- Grants.gov
- Review, selection, comments
- If selected, full proposal due 15 January

Writing the preliminary proposal

- Review the documentation from the meetings
- Research the issues identified as critical
- Work with other professionals to develop a practical, collaborative response
- Identify project director and partners
- Outline proposed work plan
- Show relevance to one of the three program priorities potential impact
- Identify projected outcomes
- Provide estimated budget

Successful applications

- *National or professional impact:* Your project should address a key goal identified in the IMLS priorities.
- *In depth knowledge:* Your proposal should reflect a thorough understanding of relevant work, current practice and knowledge about the subject matter.
- *Demonstrable results:* Your project should generate measureable results that tie directly to the need or challenge it was designed to address.

Review criteria: the concept

- Does the proposal address one of the three priorities?
- Does the proposal reference discussions and recommendations from the convenings?
- Does the proposal reflect a thorough understanding of relevant work, current practice and knowledge about the subject matter?
- Will the proposal generate measureable results that tie directly to the need or challenge it was designed to address?

Review criteria: project management

- Does the proposal most directly and practically address the program's three priorities?
- Does the proposal promise cost-effective models that will make replicability or adoption cheaper, simpler and easier for other institutions?
- Does the proposal provide a sound basis and means for measuring impact and value?
- Does the proposal support IMLS digital stewardship policy (where applicable)?
- Does the proposal provide for collaboration with other entities in the course of the project?
- Does the proposal demonstrate appropriate project management skills and capacity?

Second phase

- Comments, review of preliminary proposal
- No guarantee of funding
- 2nd webinar
- Full proposal due 15 January
- Grants.gov submission
- External review
- Award notifications March 2015

Details

FY 2015 Deadline

- 13 October 2014

Grant Period

- Up to 3 years for Project Grants
- 1 year for Planning Grants and National Forum Grants

Project Start and End Date

- Projects may begin no earlier than 1 May 2015 and must start by 1 September 2015
- Projects must begin on the first day of the month and end on the last day of the month specified in the project plan

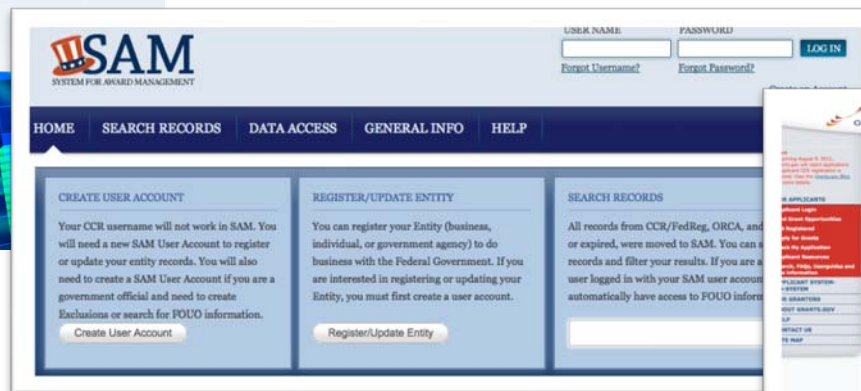
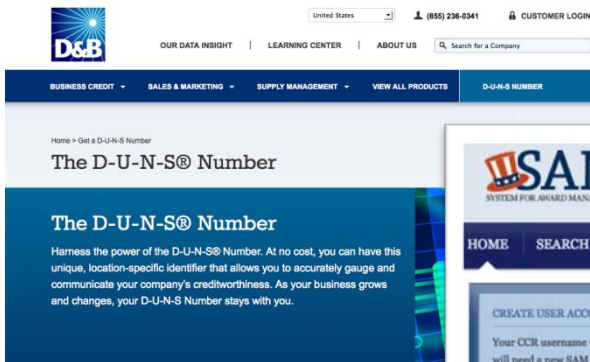
Cost Share Requirements

- A 1:1 cost share is required for requests of \$250,000 or more
- A one-third cost share is encouraged for requests under \$250,000
- Proposals in the Research, Planning and National Forum Planning Grant categories are exempt from the cost share requirement.

Tips

Register early!

1. Acquire a D-U-N-S® Number: www.dnb.com/us
2. SAM Registration: www.sam.gov
3. Grants.gov Registration: www.grants.gov



Tips

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APPLICANTS THAT SUBMIT **COMPLETE**
APPLICATIONS ON OR BEFORE THE
DEADLINE.”

Questions?

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Thank you and good luck!

